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THE ALL NEW YEAR OF 1978 STARTS OFF WITH OUR MEETING ON FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH (for all of you triskadekaphobes.) The featured speaker for the evening will be the Section Emergency Coordinator for the Santa Clara Valley Section, Ed Gribi, WB6IZF. Ed has for the past 6 months been hard at work in the 5 county section. His initiation into the job began with the disastrous Marble-Cone fire last summer. He will talk to us about coordinating emergency communications in the section. Be there for an interesting talk by this fascinating OM as well as for the vast array (driven, with parasitic reflectors) of FB goodies and congenial companionship. And forget not the famed PAARA raffle! Time is as usual, at 7:30 PM. Bring a friend.

THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE NEW PAARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS will take place in that place of places, the PAARA mobile corrosion exhibit, known affectionately as the W6OTX trailer, oxidizing quietly in the SRI parking lot. Time is 7:30 on January 18th, a Wednesday.

THE EFFICIENT AND WELL ORGANIZED PAARA NETS occur mostly on
145.24 MHz AM on Mondays at 8: 15 PM
147.45 MHz FM on Mondays at 8: 30 PM and
21.393 MHz or 14.245 MHz USB on miscellaneous Saturdays.

JANUARY IS THE TIME TO PLAY SET! If you are not among the cognizant, be warned that that stands for Simulated Emergency Test. This year it will be happening on Saturday, the 28th. Again this year the general plan of attack will be to simulated Red Cross emergency situations and traffic. It is hoped that this year we will see more involvement on the part of Red Cross officials, at least in an observer situation. Headquarters for the drill will be at the Fabulous, Richly appointed, luxury W6CTX trailer at SRI and at the Red Cross building on Middlefield Road.

.....further details will be available at the January general meeting and on the 2 meter nets. It's fun, participate this year!

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Your executing editor needs more time for his personal affairs, thus the Feb.
issue will be his last.. Volunteers will be screened for life signs only!!!

1977 FINANCIAL STATEMENT - INCOME

<u>Month</u>	<u>Membership & Subscript</u>	<u>Raffle Sales</u>	<u>Eqpt Sales</u>	<u>Misc</u>	<u>Total</u>
Jan	118.00	0.00	0.00	1.46	119.46
Feb	30.00	21.25	0.00	0.00	51.25
Mar	59.00	22.25	2.00	56.00	139.25
Apr	21.00	25.50	1.00	12.00	59.50
May	12.00	17.50	1.15	21.24	51.89
Jun	15.00	20.75	5.25	16.18	57.18
Jul	8.00	28.50	0.00	15.15	51.65
Aug	4.00	18.25	0.00	0.13	22.38
Sep	12.00	25.75	5.25	96.50	139.50
Oct	23.00	23.75	3.25	751.20	801.20
Nov	69.00	27.00	4.00	17.63	117.63
Dec	54.00	20.25	40.19	288.55	402.99
TOTAL	425.00	250.75	62.09	1276.04	2013.88

1977 FINANCIAL STATEMENT - EXPENDITURES

<u>Month</u>	<u>PAARAgaphs</u>	<u>Raffle Goodies</u>	<u>Functions</u>	<u>Maint & Acquisit.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Jan	38.55	13.54	31.48	61.18	144.73
Feb	30.00	4.16	10.96	0.00	45.12
Mar	2.60	17.50	55.00	11.48	86.58
Apr	45.38	18.07	35.00	0.00	98.45
May	26.38	25.51	56.78	0.00	108.67
Jun	1.46	14.99	0.00	0.00	16.45
Jul	41.04	23.08	117.41	0.00	241.53
Aug	67.68	0.00	14.46	0.00	82.14
Sep	0.00	20.75	0.00	0.10	20.75
Oct	18.42	17.73	0.00	0.00	36.25
Nov	46.00	21.75	56.01	0.00	123.76
Dec	58.91	27.91	308.70	0.94	396.46
TOTAL	376.40	204.99	745.80	73.70	1400.89

<u>Assets on</u>	<u>Savings</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Petty Cash</u>	<u>Total</u>	
1-1-77	1183.16	753.15	27.84	1964.15	
12-20-77	2069.54	499.72	7.88	2577.14	...tnx W6BFH

A MULTITUDE OF ITEMS OF GREAT VALUE FOR SALE, TRADE, AND SO ON.

Ray, W6JOV, is possession of a fine Cushcraft seven-element yagi for use on 2 meters, model A144-7. It's new and still in the carton. He'll part with it for a mere \$15. Ray's telephone is 591-1995.

Computer freaques may be interested in the goodies that Peter has to offer for sale or trade. A Teletype Model 33 ASR (ASCII with keyboard and tape reader/punch) worth about \$700. A complete SWTPC 6800 microcomputer system (recently reviewed in QST) with 12K RAM, AC-30 cassette I/O, GT-61 graphics display, 2 blank 4K RAM boards with sockets, parallel I/O board with 6820 PIA IC, and tiny BASIC and editor/assembler software. Asking about \$750 for the system. He'll consider S-100 products in trade, such as a mainframe, 16K RAM, Poly video board, or Northstar Minifloppy. Telephone is 326-9056 between 5:30 and 7:30 weekdays.

Dan, WB6STW, has an urge to remove himself from 2 meters and devote more time to the low bands so as to increase his code proficiency. Thus he has his Peathkit HW2036 synthesized transceiver with Heath AC power supply and Micoder (touchtone) for sale for about \$300. Also in his vast array of equipment is an Ameco 2 meter converter (tube-type) with matching supply for only \$10. Dan can be reached via his brother at 365-0944. Leave a message. Dan is moving so his old no. is NG.

Your ad will appear here free. Just drop a note to your editor for instant satisfaction. It's all part of the many benefits of PAARA membership.

INTEREST IN AMATEUR RADIO IS ON THE UPSWING. It seems logical to assume that our membership my grow as a result. Thanks to Ed, W6AIN and Bob, W6BFH, we have the following figures giving the number of PAARA members at several dates in the past.

June 1972	62	Oct 1975	72
Jan 1973	70	Oct 1976	77
Feb 1973	49	Apr 1977	75
Apr 1973	80	Oct 1977	94
Nov 1974	65	Dec 1977	101

The next membership roster will be issued with the April issue of PAARAgaphs. You'll be on it if you've paid your dues by then.

Be happy we have quality members as well as an adequate quantity!

MISCELLANEOUS MELODRAMA AND QUASI-RANDOM QRM

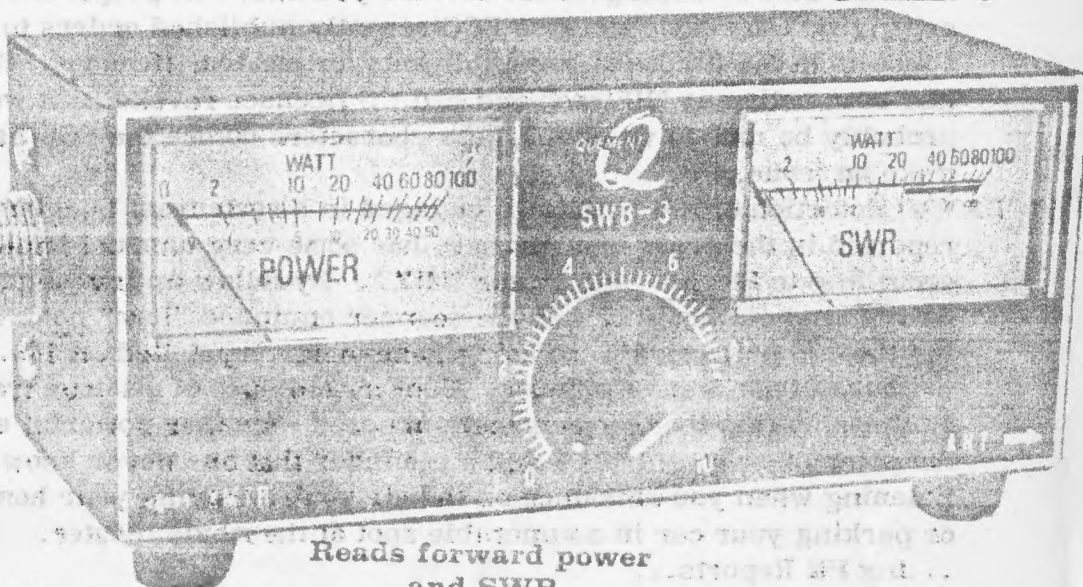
If you give novice exams, a few cautions are in order. Be sure that you return the completed examination forms to Gettysburg no later than 30 days from the date of mailing. Also be sure you know the people that you are giving the exams to. The FCC recently published orders to show cause as to the fitness of two applicants for amateur licenses. Both had been active as "HF'ers" and had CB licenses revoked. It would probably be nice to weed out these characters before the FCC had to make an issue of it.

A "HAM's" detection of two policemen engaged in a restaurant burglary, widely reported in the press last summer, has some very unusual implications according to Florida Skip Editor W4IYT. By follow up investigation, Andy found out not only was the scanner equipped "ham" not a ham, but the two policemen were using hand-helds crystallized on 146.52, and neither of them were Amateurs. Non-amateur use of amateur transmitting equipment, this time for criminal purposes - another powerful argument for point-of-sale controls - and a reminder that one never knows who is listening when you announce on the air you're leaving your home empty or parking your car in a vulnerable spot at the movie theater.
...tnx HR Reports...

Hal, W6DEF, reports a scary article in the January issue of Ladies Home Journal on the Bermuda Triangle. He says he flew radar training flights through the area in 1945 and never had any trouble at all. (Your editor suspects the whole thing is a convenient subject to write books loosely based on hard-to-substantiate "facts".)

A new handbook from the FCC entitled "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference" is available from the Consumer Information Center, Department 015F, Pueblo, CO 81009 for \$1.50 postpaid. ...tnx HR Reports
Must be something in the air for amateur radio club newsletter editors. Not only will this publication be under new hands soon, but the West Valley Heterodyne, Marin QSA-5, and the SCCARA-Gram are losing their editors!
New classes for the Novice and General ticket will start on Tuesday, January 10th. They will be held at the San Jose Red Cross from 7 to 9 PM weekly. The instructor is Furt, WA6GB with assistants. Sponsored by SCCARA.
Thirty-three funseekers attended the PAARA Xmas bash and had a great time!

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